



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:)
Robert A. Aekins, et. al.) Art Unit: 2833
DUAL REACTANCE LOW NOISE) Examiner: Hammond, Brigitte R.
MODULAR CONNECTOR INSERT)
Serial No.: 09/982,073) Confirmation No. 8240
Filed On: October 17, 2001) Docket No. 97895.00086
) (formerly 695695.0086)

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action (final rejection) mailed on August 11, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced application. By the present submission, applicants have placed the application in condition for allowance by: (i) amending to place in independent form those claims that were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form, and (ii) cancelling – without prejudice – those claims that were subject to art-based rejections. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of the present application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

The remainder of this submission includes the following:

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Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims: begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

Remarks/Arguments: begin on Page 10 of this paper.